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Hongkong, May 14, 1876. jyl

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NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

WE have Established branches of our Firm at Hongkong and Hanoi. Mr. E. COMSTANTIN is authorised to sign by procuration in Tongkin.

LANDSTEIN & Co.
Hongkong, December 31, 1876.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have entered into Co-partnership from the First day of January, 1876, in the Business of Shipbrokers at this Port, under the style of MORRIS & RAY.

A. G. MORRIS.
E. C. RAY.

Bank Buildings,
Hongkong, February 3, 1876.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.

WE have authorized Mr. Hugo LUBB, to sign our Firm at Foochow by procuration.

SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, May 15, 1876. jcl

NOTICE.

I Have this day authorized Mr. J. V. SHAW to sign my name per procuration.

A. MACG. HEATON.
Hongkong, January 1, 1876.

NOTICE.

THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. J. J. LARSEN in our Firm ceased on the 31st December last. The Business will be carried on under the style of MEYER & CO. MEYER, ALABOR & Co.
Hongkong, April 22, 1876. my20

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has been appointed SURVEYOR to LLOYD'S REGISTER at this Port.

R. H. CAIRNS.
Hongkong, April 20, 1876.

AUCTIONS.

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will sell by Public Auction, in their Sale Room, Praya, on

FRIDAY,

the 24th May, 1876, at Noon,—
White Shirts, Linen Handkerchiefs, Cotton Socks, Tooth Brushes, Paint Brushes, White and Black Sewing Thread, Walkden's Extra Ink, Day and Martin's Shoe Blacking, Flower Vases, Bath Bricks, Sundry Furniture, 5 cases Cologne Water, 10 Large Pans, complete, Old Metal and Leather.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars, weighed at 7.1.7. The Lot or Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at purchaser's risk on the fall of the hammer.
Hongkong, May 23, 1876. my26

For Sale.

SAYLE & Co.

WE beg to call special attention to our Show-room and Ladies' Outfitting Departments.

We are offering a fine assortment of Japanese Silks, which will wear well, at 65 cents per yard, worth \$1.

Summer Dresses:—
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A lot of Lace Goods at less than half price.

Made-up Wrappers and Costumes.

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Our Dressmaking Department is under the supervision of a Court Dressmaker.

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DANISH BEER from the TUBORG FABRIKKER.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Hongkong, May 15, 1876. my30

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200 Cases CLARET from BORDEAUX.

Apply to LANDSTEIN & Co.
Hongkong, March 10, 1876.

FOR SALE.

VERY Handsome PHEATON.

1 Set Double HARNESS, nearly new.

1 Set Single HARNESS.

Apply to L. MALLORY,
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Hongkong, April 18, 1876.

Intimations.

THE "HINDOSTAN," leaving here with the Mail of the 20th inst., and subsequent Mail Steamers, until further notice, will proceed direct to Southampton.

A. MOYER, Superintendent.
Hongkong, May 6, 1876.

Intimations.

THE MEDICAL HALL,

37, Queen's Road, Hongkong.

ESTABLISHED 1853.

THE KOFFER, Proprietor.

Hongkong, April 28, 1876. ap28

HONGKONG.

Chs. J. GAUPP & Co.,

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NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS,

CHRONOMETERS,

&c., &c., &c.,

Carefully Repaired, Cleaned and accurately rated under guarantee.

All Repairs in the above line done at reasonable rates and with dispatch.

Hongkong, May 1, 1876. tl

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SHIPPING SUPPLIED WITH ALL KINDS OF COAL, WATER, BALLAST, FRESH PROVISIONS & OILMAN'S STORES.

Of the best quality and at the shortest notice.

Hongkong, May 1, 1876.

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CHEAPEST DAILY PAPER IN CHINA and as a large

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HAS on hand the Largest and Best collection of Views, &c., of Amoy, Formosa and all the different Chinese Ports.

Also, a large assortment of Photographs, Albums, Frames, Writing Cases, Desks and many other ornamental and useful articles too numerous to mention.

Hongkong, May 15, 1876.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

In the Goods of DANIEL JANE, Deceased.

" do. " LEONG ALOUE, " "

" do. " JOHN DODD SMITH, " "

" do. " AH FONG, " "

" do. " JAMES FREEMAN, " "

" do. " TONG QUANG, " "

" do. " HUNG CHEW SZ KI, " "

" do. " FELIPE A. DE SOUZA, " "

NOTICE is hereby given that in accordance with the provisions of Ordinance No. 9 of 1870, Section III, an order has been made by the Honourable Sir JOHN MALE, Knight, Chief Justice of Hongkong, limiting the time for Creditors and others to send in their Claims against the above Estates to SATURDAY, the 30th day of September, 1876, on or before which date all Claims must be proved, otherwise they will not be included in the scheme of Division.

All Persons indebted to the said Estates are requested to make immediate payment to

F. S. HUFFAM,
Official Administrator.

Hongkong, May 20, 1876. my27

NOTICE.

DR. STOUT will be absent after MONDAY, the 29th of May, for a few weeks. Upon his Return he proposes Reducing the Scale of his Charges Twenty-five per cent.

Hongkong, May 28, 1876. my20

S. E. ORESTES.

A COPY of the above Steamer's Protest has been Received by the Undersigned and now lies at their Office for inspection by those interested.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Hongkong, May 16, 1876. my20

NOTICE.

P. & O. S. N. COMPANY.

THE "HINDOSTAN," leaving here with the Mail of the 20th inst., and subsequent Mail Steamers, until further notice, will proceed direct to Southampton.

A. MOYER, Superintendent.
Hongkong, May 6, 1876.

Shipping.

Steamers.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Steamship "DOUGLAS,"

Captain BURNES, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 25th inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LARPAIK & Co.

Hongkong, May 22, 1876. my25

FOR NAGASAKI.

The Steamship "GENOA,"

Capt. CORRIALL, will leave for the above Port on THURSDAY, the 25th inst., at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 23, 1876. my25

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON VIA RUEZ CANAL.

The Company's Steamship "ANTENOR,"

will be despatched on or about the 25th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

Hongkong, May 8, 1876. my25

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s S. S. "BOMBAY,"

will leave for the above place a few hours after the arrival of the *Theron* with the next English Mail, instead of the *Sunda* which was previously circulated.

A. MOYER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, May 23, 1876.

CASTLE LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship "GORDON CASTLE,"

expected here on or about the 25th inst., will have immediate dispatch for the above Port.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 20, 1876.

FOR SHANGHAI.

The Steamship "KARO,"

Captain PINKNEY, shortly expected from Singapore, will have quick dispatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to MEYER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 22, 1876.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR LONDON.

The A 1 British Ship "CHANNEL QUEEN,"

N. LUTHERY, Master, having the greater part of her Cargo engaged, will have quick dispatch as above.

For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, April 6, 1876.

FOR SINGAPORE AND MAURITIUS.

The A 1 German Bark "WODAN,"

Captain MEYER, will have immediate dispatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, May 23, 1876. tl

FOR LONDON.

The A 1 British Clipper Bark "BATTLE CROWN,"

W. ANDERSON, Master, having the greater part of her Cargo engaged, will have quick dispatch as above.

For Freight, apply to MEYER & Co.

Hongkong, May 11, 1876.

FOR FOOCHOW (DIRECT.)

The British Bark "WILLIAM MANSON,"

will be despatched for the above Port on or about the 25th inst.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, May 17, 1876.

FOR MELBOURNE & SYDNEY.

The A 1 British Bark "MARQUIS OF ARGYLE,"

Captain MCKENZIE, will have immediate dispatch for the above Ports.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ROZARIO & Co.

Hongkong, April 21, 1876.

Shipping.

Sailing Vessels.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A 1 American bark "WEALTHY PENDELTON,"

Capt. BLANCHARD, will load for the above Port, and will be despatched on or before the 10th June.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, May 19, 1876. jsl0

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

The A 1 British Ship "MARGARITE,"

JAMES OWEN, Master, will load for the above Port, and will have quick dispatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, March 27, 1876.

FOR LONDON.

The A 1 British Clipper Ship "COMMISSARY,"

Captain HUNTER, will load for the above Port, and will have quick dispatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, May 19, 1876.

FOR LONDON.

The A 1 British Clipper Bark "BORE,"

Capt. BOULTON, will load here for the above Port, and will have immediate dispatch.

For Freight, apply to VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.

Hongkong, May 11, 1876.

FOR NEW YORK.</

forms the attraction for many thousands. One poor man relates that he was walking near the North gate at Shanghai, when suddenly he heard a sound as of rushing wind, and lo! his tail was gone; another case is that of a man, who crying down the possibility of such things in a crowd suddenly found himself minus his tail—a circumstance that can be accounted for with little difficulty. There seems to be little doubt that the Chinese in the neighbourhood of Shanghai do run some little risk of losing their tails at the present time, owing most probably to the spirit of mischief being rife among them, but if this is the heaviest trouble that is to befall the Chinese, his lot will appear sufficiently easy in the eyes of the foreigner, who can see neither use nor ornament in the queue.

The Chinese Recorder and Missionary Journal for March-April opens with a highly interesting paper by "Haines," the pleasant and chatty writer who still adheres to his nom de plume. This paper is very different from previous articles from the same pen, being on a missionary subject—a sketch of the "Traces of the old Buriat Mission." The Buriats are a tribe of Mongols inhabiting that part of Eastern Siberia between Mongolia and the shores of Lake Baikal; and the efforts made by the London Missionary Society—which commenced in 1817 and continued till the Mission was broken up by order of the Emperor Nicholas in 1841—are described in a manner which cannot fail to attract even those who do not always care to be interested by missionary narratives. We have seldom or ever seen a sketch of missionary work written in a more easy, natural and unobtrusive style; and we cannot but think that descriptions of mission labours would be more widely read and more generally trusted were this natural and unstrained manner more in vogue amongst the clerical gentlemen now engaged in such work in this and in other parts of the world. Of the reasons for suppressing the Mission, and of the results arrived at by its existence, the writer thus speaks:—

Russia, it seems, had let the missionaries go on unmolested till they were beginning to be successful; and she stopped them. The ecclesiastical in Siberia are generally supposed to have been the real cause of the suspension of the mission. Probably at no time were adverse rumors and reports wanting; but when the priests of the Greek church saw converts joining another church, they—it is reported—redoubled their efforts, and succeeded in obtaining an order for their removal. Ecclesiastical influence is great in Russia; and it is not at all impossible, that even had the Emperor himself been favourable to the mission in Siberia, he might have found it advisable to yield to the solicitations of the religious dignitaries. What argument was advanced against the continuance of the mission, perhaps cannot now be known, but one thing can be mentioned, which may have something to do with it. Even a quarter of a century after the missionaries left Siberia, all converts were spoken of as belonging to the English, or rather as being Englishmen. The converts themselves knew better; but the mass of the people, Russians and Buriats, seem to have regarded conversion to Christianity as a desertion of Russia and a going over to England. It is easy to see how powerful an argument this could become in the mouth of a person inimical to the mission, and how ready a Russian ruler would be to listen to advice, which urged him to quash the beginnings of an English faction in Siberia. It is hardly probable, that the mission was broken up from religious motives on the part of the Russian government. A government which—at least—provides for the religious wants of its subjects according to requirements, managing, controlling, and providing for the appointments in the Greek, Lutheran, Roman Catholic, and Buddhist churches, could hardly have very serious religious scruples, about a few Protestants more or less. Perhaps, though, it may be that one element of aversion to the mission, was the fear, that, at some future time, there might be another added to the many sects, for which the government would have to provide worshipping facilities in Siberia. Despot governments do not usually burden themselves with giving extended reasons for their actions; so in its own summary way, Russia spoke the word and the mission ceased, in 1841. It may be asked then, what did all the zeal, labour, and ability of the old missionaries accomplish? The answer is, a score or so of converts, the translation of the Bible, and an indefinite moral influence.

The third article of the number is entitled Notes on Liao-tung (province of Shingking), by Rev. J. Ross—being a collection of notes on the geological, botanical, topographical and other features of that district. Mr. Ross seems to be a keen observer, and the result is that his notes are more useful and readable than such efforts frequently are, while they are also smoothly and neatly put together. The following may be new to some and of interest to many:—

Beyond the village of Shao-ho, so called from its possessing a very large distillery. Divided from the distillery by the road, is a pigsty containing eight hundred inhabitants destined for the knife, fed by the produce of the establishment. A propos of distilleries, so common with us here, I cannot understand how opium apologetes declare that opium is the only stimulant and "solace" of the Chinaman. Fully one third of the grain of this enormous province is used up in the still; and a whisky is produced so strong, that one third of a wine-glassful brings the color to a Chinaman's cheek. Every man drinks and many are not badly provided in that way; and a sufficient quantity of that is not sent to Shanghai, there is rice and cocoa, whisky to supplement it.

Sandwiched between the two papers already noticed is an article from the pen of the Rev. Canon McClellan, on "The Terms for 'Spirit' in Chinese"; but we must confess to a feeling of sympathy for this learned author, in that his learning and his interminable

"circles" of the universe appear to make so little impression upon intelligent minds that they have to be paraded so persistently and repeated in so many varied forms. The article in question is intended to show that everyone else is wrong; and that *Shangti* is merely Noah deified, "like Baal, Jupiter, Osiris, and every other chief god of a pantheon." We have again to thank the rev. author for this valuable information, given to the world for the fiftieth time during the last few years.

A few desultory notes, on "A Journey in Formosa" by Mr. Arthur Cornes, are chiefly remarkable for the impartial and frank testimony they bear to the usefulness of Christian missions on that island. The writer gives a pleasant narrative, and among many details which might well have been omitted, he notes many curious facts. He concludes his notes thus:—

A great deal might be said about quite a host of subjects; such as tea and sugar growing, the steady increase in the importation of opium to Formosa, the working of coal on European principles, which will soon be commenced in the north, the strong and somewhat successful efforts now being made by the Chinese authorities to open up the Eastern side of the island, and the very hopeful state of the two missions, whose network of stations are found over so wide an area. On the last mentioned of these I would only remark, that the entire field of missionary labour there contrasted most favourably with others I had seen in South Africa. The evident industry and earnestness of the people, their devotion, as seen by the erection of spacious chapels and attendance at service, and the close friendship existing among the converts—all this too in the midst of such poverty and occasional persecution—is very interesting and remarkable, and surely augurs well for the future of this work.

Much valuable information of a purely missionary kind, in which the Shanghai controversy again figures prominently, completes the number.

THE SPIRIT OF THE MORNING PRESS.

The Press comments upon a memorial from the Military Governor of Kirin, that has appeared in the *Gazette*, reporting that there is not a sufficient proportion of officials to the population in the province; and also upon the fact of a descent having been made upon the vendors of spurious drugs and foreign medicines by the Government of Japan.

THE HONGKONG NATIVE PRESS.

The Chinese Mail publishes a proclamation by the Nankai Magistrate, which prohibits the raising of dragon-boats on the Canton River during the coming festival of the dragon-boats. The ground given for stopping this time-honoured pastime is the fear of troubles arising out of it, and the attraction of bad characters on the river for unlawful purposes.

The *Chung Ngai Sun Po* comments on the necessity of reform in the pension allowance to the Manchus, who receive an allowance for doing nothing. Though some of them are utilised in garrisoning the city gates, they know nothing of army discipline.

The *Universal Circulating Herald*, in recording the telegram the Chinese Hospital received from the Six Companies, says it has heard that when the steamer *Colorado* arrived at Yokohama, there were discovered by the U. S. Consul there over ten Chinese females who had been smuggled on board. These women had neither passage tickets nor the certificates of the U. S. Consul at this place.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

To-morrow being Ascension Day there will be Divine Service in St. Peter's Seamen's Church, West Point, at 11 a.m. Reader and Preacher, Rev. W. H. Baynes, Seamen's Chaplain.

A TELEGRAM was received yesterday at the Chinese Hospital from the Six Companies in San Francisco, stating that the Chinese passengers who arrived there by the P. M. S. S. *Colorado* were not allowed to land, and urging Chinese not to go there.

To-day being the fifty-seventh anniversary of Her Majesty's birth-day, the various men-of-war and many of the merchant vessels in the Harbour were decorated with bunting. Royal Salutes were also fired, as usual, from the battery and the Commodore's Flag ship and also from the German Flag ship *Herta*. One of the merchant steamers displayed the flag which, in the Code of Signals, represents the words "Empress of India," this being the first birthday on which the Queen has been in possession of that title.

This being the anniversary of Her Majesty's birthday, all the Public Departments were closed for a holiday, except the Police Court, where the Magistrate sat for a short time to dispose of the minor cases. Among the charges heard was one of being out without a pass against five men, of whom two put forward as a defence that this being Her Majesty's birthday, they went to the Theatre last night, having no work to do to-day. Mr. Russell observed that it was a bad way of spending a holiday to spend it in a Court, and fined them 25 cts. each.

The Concert given in the City Hall yesterday evening by the Italian Operatic Troupe was fairly well attended, and the performances on the whole appeared to give complete satisfaction to the spectators. The Company numbers four singers, including one lady. Signor Rossi's opening solo "Non l'Yer" was perhaps, as well received as any performance during the evening. The Signor has a rich baritone voice, and the romance was exceedingly well rendered. Signor Neri followed with "Spirito Gentil," but at the commencement of the solo the performer seemed to be suffering from a slight hoarseness, and scarcely did credit to himself. He, however, improved in the course of the song, and it is evident that the Signor is gifted with a fine tenor voice especially in the upper notes. Signora Coppa came next, and from the moment she appeared on the stage there was no doubt of her getting a favourable reception. Combined with a propitious appearance the Signora has a voice capable of great delicacy in execution, and her performances gained for her a gratifying amount of applause. She sang the serenade "Blanca Colomb." The remaining pieces comprised selections from Verdi, Hallevi, and Donizetti.

The *Universal Circulating Herald* says, in a recent issue, that the steamer *Chinkiang* on her downward trip from Canton on the night of the 19th, about 8 o'clock, came into collision with a junk which had as cargo over 2,000 piculs of lime. The junk sank almost immediately from the saturation of the lime. The vessel was anchored in the river and had a light, but the night being dark, it could not be seen. There were nine people on board, consisting of the owner, his mother, wife, two sons, one daughter, and two assistants. The steamer stopped at once and threw down a rope from the bow, and the junk-master caught hold of it. The wife seized the husband by the arms and held a young son, aged about one year, by the mouth. Notwithstanding this weight, the husband managed to get up the steamer and all three were thus saved. But the owner's mother and his other two children, as well as the two assistants, were all drowned. The survivors were then handed over to a Chinese River Police boat, but were refused shelter, the officer in charge thinking it was not his duty to receive them. They were then taken back to the steamer, where they lamented so piteously that the Chinese passengers subscribed a goodly sum for them. While on board they were treated with the greatest kindness. On approaching Hongkong, a pilot boat was met, and they were transferred into her for conveyance back to Canton. We give this information on the authority of the native paper mentioned, although the original statement seems to be impartial and fair.

VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

The Annual General Meeting of the members of this Club was held in the Gymnasium yesterday afternoon (23rd), Mr. Lindstedt in the chair.

The minutes of the last general meeting having been read and confirmed, the Chairman informed the meeting that the object for which it was called together was to receive a report of the proceedings of the Committee for the past eighteen months, and a statement of accounts, and to elect a Committee of Management for the current year.

The Secretary then proceeded to read the report, which embodied a history of the Club's struggle to re-establish and maintain itself after the destructive typhoon of September 1874 up to the present date, showing that by dint of careful management of the revenue, the buildings were now efficiently fitted up, and entirely free from debt. The building having been opened for the use of members on 22nd of May 1875, the term for which members had subscribed in advance expired yesterday.

The Chairman, in moving that the report should be adopted, called the attention of the meeting to the fact that the Secretary had not debited the Club with his monthly salary for the past eighteen months, and the Committee having this in view had requested him to accept the small sum available from the Club's funds after paying the current month's expenses, not as a recompense but in recognition of his services.

The adoption of the report, coupled with a vote of thanks to the Secretary, was seconded by Mr. Wodehouse and carried nem. con.

The accounts, which had been duly audited by Messrs. McEwen and Schultze, were then submitted, and Mr. Lindstedt having proposed that they should be passed and Mr. J. B. Young having seconded the proposal, it was carried unanimously.

Mr. Blagg then proposed, and Mr. Smith seconded, that the following gentlemen form the Committee of Management:—Messrs. T. Jackson (Chairman), Lindstedt, Schultze, MacEwen, Buttman, Boyer, Geart, and Wodehouse, Hon. Secretary and Treasurer. The Chairman then brought forward the

question of rebuilding the Bath-house, and stated that a modified scheme had been proposed which would give some ten or twelve dressing-rooms, and would cost only six hundred dollars. He was sure that steps would be taken by the new committee towards providing the Members of the Club with facilities for bathing, and seeing that the list of Members showed some 165 names; he did not think there was much doubt of the ultimate rebuilding of a bath-house on as large a scale as the last.

He had much pleasure in informing the meeting that His Excellency the Governor, who was President of the Club, had communicated with the Committee, expressing his hope that so desirable an institution should be continued, and very kindly declaring his willingness to contribute a sum of money towards its reconstruction.

Several members spoke as to the means of raising a guarantee fund, enabling the Committee to commence the work forthwith, but it was decided to leave the matter in the hands of the Committee, with the hope that no time would be lost in arranging matters.

With a vote of thanks to the Chairman, the meeting terminated.

Police Intelligence.

(Before James Russell, Esq.)
May 24, 1876.

THEFT OF TEAK-WOOD.

Chai Ayan, a blacksmith, was charged by P. O. 24, with stealing a piece of teak-wood, valued \$5, from the Kwonglong Dock Company, and was sentenced to one month's imprisonment with hard labour.

THEFT OF A BAG CONTAINING \$35.

Mui Aze, a mat-maker, was charged with stealing a bag containing \$35 from a druggist shop in Queen's Road Central. The case was remanded till 26th instant for inquiries.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

Choi Ayan, a barber, was charged with the unlawful possession of a sumpen hat-cover. The evidence not being sufficient to bring home the guilt to the defendant, the case was sent back to Inspector Oradock for him to make further enquiries.

DRUNK.

Jat Dunbat, a seaman of the British bark *Otherops*, was fined 25 cents or one day's imprisonment with hard labour, for being drunk and incapable at Cross Street.

Manila.

T. J. Reynolds, in his Manila freight circular of the 15th instant, states:—"During the past fortnight seven disengaged vessels, registering 5,249 tons, have arrived, but as nearly all are coal laden it will be some time before any of them can be ready for outward business. For the U. K. there is no dry sugar offering just now, on account of the high prices asked by the buyers; but there is a fair quantity of wet sugar and hemp awaiting tonnage. For the U. S. there is also a fair quantity of both sugar and hemp ready for shipment. Rates remain unchanged. The only outside charter reported is that of the *F. H. Drew*, 624 tons register, hence to San Francisco on private terms."

The Philippines.

A correspondent of the *Comercio* writes from Albay under date of 3rd instant:—"The quotations for grain remain at \$2 to 2.50 per cavan for Rice; 9 to 10 reales per cavan for Paddy, the market shows no animation. Hemp was quoted at \$4 to 4.10 per picul with an upward tendency. The export of rice crop is encouraging. The gathering of the crop will commence in June. The heat has been insupportable day and night."

A fearful thunderstorm is reported to have visited Pangasinan on the 21st ultimo. Many houses were washed away and several natives were killed by electric discharges. From Infanta dates are up to 27th ultimo. The cathedral was struck by lightning, the altar and all its ornaments as well as the sacred vase were completely destroyed. The church was filled with people at the time of the visitation, but fortunately no one was hurt.

A very destructive fire occurred at Butang on the 22nd ultimo; 67 houses were reduced to ashes. The tribunal was also partly destroyed.

From Iloilo we learn that a band of thieves (highway men) made a sortie on the village of Tinsan, but the inhabitants turned out and after some struggle the robbers decamped. One of the villagers was killed. Three nipa houses and a rice-mill were consumed by conflagration. Several people were accidentally drowned, and a native was found murdered in his own house; and all his property stolen. Several fires are reported to have occurred in the neighbourhood of Iloilo.

From Laguna we have news up to 6th instant. A highway man named Samoda, the terror of the neighbourhood, escaped

Jack Sheppard-like from the Gaol; but was met in Pangil by the police armed to the teeth. Resistance being shown he was shot dead on the spot. The gang, headed by the well-known Sebastian Mandalay, has visited Santa Rosa collecting black-mail, and several cavans of rice, sugar and some Town were carried away. The police that were despatched to search the neighbourhood, fell in with this formidable gang, but after an exchange of shots they were allowed to depart.

An explosion took place in Pangasinan at a fire-work manufactory, and several workmen were killed, and some maimed for life.

From Capi we learn that the police, who were sent in the track of a robber named Felipe, met with a hot reception, two of them being killed during the encounter. The criminal return for the month of April last, in Manila and environs, gives the following data:—In Manila city 6 persons were arrested for theft, 16 battery and wounding, 1 drunkenness and creating public scandal, 6 perambulating at night without pass, 1 escaped convict, 1 threatening to murder, 2 vagabonds, 1 infraction of municipal orders, 2 gambling, 4 domestic transgressions.—Total 40. In San Miguel, San Sebastian and Tandang: 9 for theft, 7 drunkenness, 14 no pass, 11 breach of municipal orders, 84 gambling, 3 domestic transgressions, 2 smuggling tobacco.—Total 107. In Tondo and in the district of San Lazaro: 2 for theft, 24 battery and wounding, 4 drunkenness, 8 no pass, 20 breach of municipal orders, 16 gambling, 24 public debtors.—Total 97. In Santa Cruz, Quiapo, San Jose: 30 for theft, 1 rape, 19 battery and wounding, 21 no pass, 1 vagabond, 6 assault, 29 breach of municipal orders, 84 gambling, 1 domestic transgression.—Total 193. In Binondo, 8 for theft, 3 battery and wounding, 5 drunkenness, 6 no pass, 2 runaway convicts, 1 vagabond, 1 threatening to murder, 4 prostitution, 8 burglary, 5 breach of municipal orders, 40 gambling, 1 breach of domestic duties, 1 public debtor.—Total 78. In Ermita, Malate, and Concepcion: 3 for theft, 8 battery and wounding, 1 no pass, 1 assault, 8 breach of municipal orders, 18 gambling, 1 breach of domestic duties.—Total 40. Grand total 555.

A proposal to establish regularly a line of steamers between Barcelona and Manila, carrying passengers and mails, has been presented to the Spanish Cortes by W. Balaguer. It is confidently expected that very soon this will be an accomplished fact. Several soldiers of the Sulu expedition have been reported from the Government from \$50 to \$200 for their heroic conduct during the heat of the fight.

China.

SHANGHAI.

(News.)

We hear on good authority, that the steamers *Hankow* and *Glenartney* were to leave Hankow on the 17th. The *Hankow* was to take 3,600 tons of tea, and the *Glenartney* about the same quantity. The *Hankow* is reported to be under guarantee to get home in 39 days, and will go direct from hence to Port Said.

The *Glenartney*, the first steamer from Hankow, homeward bound, with new season's teas, passed Woosung at 3.45 on the morning of the 19th instant. The *Hankow* had not arrived at Woosung late in the afternoon. The *Glenartney* having obtained so good a start, it may be expected that she will again carry off first honours in the tea race.

It is reported that during the storm on Thursday morning, noon boat was swamped at Woosung, and sunk in a few minutes. No lives were lost. From some junks, anchored below the shipping in the river, large numbers of Foochow poles were also washed away during the storm, and some enterprising foreigners who were passing at the time in boats, attempted to secure them, but failed.

Two or three chops of new Paklings had arrived at Foochow, when the *Europe* left, and two chops of Congou from the Yung-how district. The quality appeared not to be so good as last year, but the tea men declared that the crop on the whole would be better. Several thousand boxes of contract Paklings were to be shipped to Hongkong for the mail of the 20th. But general business was not expected to commence for ten days or a fortnight.

Sentence was passed on the 16th instant, in the Court of the U. S. Consulate-General, on Theodore W. Eckfeldt, charged with obtaining by false pretences and embezzling moneys belonging to his employers, Messrs. Russell & Co. The Court and Associates found the prisoner guilty on each of the twelve counts contained in the indictment, and he was sentenced to three years' imprisonment, and to pay all costs of the prosecution. Mr. Robinson, who defended, gave notice of the prisoner's intention to appeal against the judgment.

Some gentlemen, returning from a trip up-country on Sunday evening, passed the dead body of a Chinaman in the Soochow Creek. The feet and hands were tied together behind the back. The boatmen suggested that he was a "la-lee-joong," and seemed to think it rather a good joke. The incident may help to bring home to foreigners the compliment intended by the urhins who shout "la-lee-joong" as we walk through a village. They must think the foreign la-lee-joong is at any rate a very mild specimen, that he does not resent the impertinence. He would probably box a boy's ears in his own country, for a less matter.

The Viceroy Shên, in continuance of his progress through the province, arrived at Kiangnan Arsenal, from Soochow, on Tuesday morning in company with the Tactal. About six in the evening, the Viceroy passed down the river in a junk, with his guard on board another, both being in tow of the gunboat *Tung-shi*, and passing Shanghai without calling, proceeded to Woosung. Here a large fleet of war-junks of all sizes had rendezvoused to meet him, while several thousand troops were mustered along the shore. Yesterday forenoon was devoted to an inspection of the forts and other military works in progress; and the afternoon to a grand review of all the available foreign-trained and armed soldiers in camp, numbering about 2,600. The weather being fine, the natives of the surrounding district assembled in large numbers, surrounding the parade-ground on all sides, except the point where the Viceroy's pavilion was erected, and maintaining the greatest decorum. The proceedings altogether were very interesting.

(Courier.)

We are informed that the *Leone*, running between Amoy, Manila and Hongkong, is ashore on the coast of Formosa. The *Leone*, Capt. West, reports having left Hankow at 0.40 a.m. on the 14th inst., leaving in port the *Glenartney*, *Galley of Lorne*, *Hankow*, *Russia*, *Hohenstaufen*, *Hankow*, one British and one Russian gun-boat; at 2.30 a.m. met the str. *Flowers Castle* up; at 3.40 a.m. met the str. *Plymouth Rock* up; at 5.20 a.m. met the str. *Blat Amsterdam* up; at 6.20 a.m. met the str. *Nanking* up; arrived at Kinkiang at 11.50 a.m.; left again at 1 p.m. the str. *Glenartney* and *Tsien* in port; at 8.50 p.m. met the str. *Peking* up; on the 15th at 2.15 a.m. met the str. *Yungking* up; at 11.30 a.m. met the str. *Pine Queen* with ship *Cutty Sark* in tow bound up; arrived at Chinkiang at 1.45 p.m.; left again at 3.15 p.m.; on the 16th at 5.53 a.m. met the str. *Hanyang* up; at 6.40 a.m. met the str. *Shanghai* up; at 7.25 a.m. met the str. *Venice* up; arrived at Shanghai at 11.10 a.m. same day. Variable winds and cloudy weather throughout the passage.

Quotations.

HONGKONG, May 24, 1876.
OPIUM.—New Patna, cash, 590
" credit, 592
" Old Patna, cash, 605
" credit, 607
" New Benares, cash, 577
" credit, 580
" Old Benares, cash, 580
" credit, 582
" New Malwa, cash, 580
" credit, 585
" Allowance Tash, 24 a 40
" Old Malwa, cash, 555
" credit, 560
" Allowance Tash, 20 a 32
CAMPHOR,
QUICKSILVER,
SALT PETRE,
Exchange.
Bank, 6 months' sight, 3/10 1/2
Credit, 6 months' sight, 3/11
On Calcutta, Bank demand, 22 1/2
" Bombay, demand, 22 1/2
" Shanghai, demand, 7 1/2
" Shanghai, 30 days' sight, 7 1/2
" Silver, 17, 1/2, 1/2,
Soyas,
Maxims,
Gold Leaf, 58.10
English Sovereigns, 5.12
Australian Sovereigns,
Discount, 7 a 8
Shares.
Hongkong Bank, par, 1 1/2 pm.
H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$525
China Fire Ins. Co., \$150
H.K. & W. Dock Co., 85 1/2 dis.
China Traders' Ins. Co., \$160
Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$650
Chinese Insurance Co., \$12 1/2
North China Ins. Co., \$15.50 ex div.
C. & J. Marine Ins. Co., \$13.34 ex restura.
Yangtze Ins. Association, \$1.60
Union S. Navigation Co., \$1.10
H.K. C. & M. S. Boat Co., 10 dis.
Shanghai Steam N. Co., \$4 1/2 dis.
Hongkong Hotel Co., \$4 1/2 dis.
Chinese Imperial Loan, \$103.
Temperature.
HONGKONG, May 24, 1876.
(Taken at Messrs. Falconer & Co.'s Premises, Queen's Road.)
Thermometer—9 a.m., 77
Do, 4 p.m., 77
Do, Maximum, 77
Do, Minimum, over night, 73
Barometer—9 a.m., 29.965
Do, 4 p.m., 29.916

Shipping Intelligence.

HOME SHIPPING.

The following is taken from the latest London Papers:—

DEPARTURES.
Jan. 10, Echo, from London to Hongkong.
Jan. 13, Antipodes, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Jan. 17, Alex. McNeil, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Jan. 17, Onward, from Liverpool to Hongkong.
Jan. 19, Sophie, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Jan. 20, Forward Ho, from London to Yokohama, &c.
Jan. 31, Lord Macaulay, from Newport to Hongkong.
Feb. 1, Neorhus (str.), from Cardiff to Hongkong.
Feb. 2, Evelyn, from London to Hongkong.
Feb. 4, Undine, from London to Shanghai.
Feb. 6, Paul Marie, from London to Shanghai.
Feb. 6, Scotia, from London to Hongkong.
Feb. 8, Kalsow, from London to Hongkong.
Feb. 20, Susanne, from Hamburg to Shanghai.
March 2, Mary L. Stone, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
March 2, P. J. Carleton, from New York to Shanghai.
March 14, McNight, from Lewis Del to Shanghai.
March 16, Min, from London to Hongkong.
March 17, Ada, from London to Yokohama.
March 18, Benefactor, from New York to Hongkong.
March 18, Hans, from Hamburg to Shanghai.
March 20, Gustav and Marie, from Hamburg to Hongkong.
March 21, Moss Glen, from London to Hongkong.
March 21, Marianne, from Havre to Saigon.
March 21, Julie, from Havre to Saigon.
March 21, Hoogly, from Boston to Batavia and Hongkong.
March 23, Ollurum, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
March 23, J. C. Munro, from London to Hongkong.
March 26, Chetco (str.), from Greenock to Hongkong.
March 28, Lorne (str.), from London to China and Japan.
March 29, Oregon, from Cardiff to Hongkong.
March 31, Karo (str.), from Antwerp to China.
March 31, Ajax (str.), from Liverpool to Shanghai.
March 31, Sophie O., from Marchilles to Saigon.
LOADING FOR CHINA AND JAPAN TONNAGE.
At London.—Steamers via Suez Canal.
Tatlar.
Sailing Vessel.
Cashmere,
Lothair,
F. S. Thompson,
Lalwell,
At Liverpool.
Falconer,
Edgworth,
Malak,
Deighton (str.)

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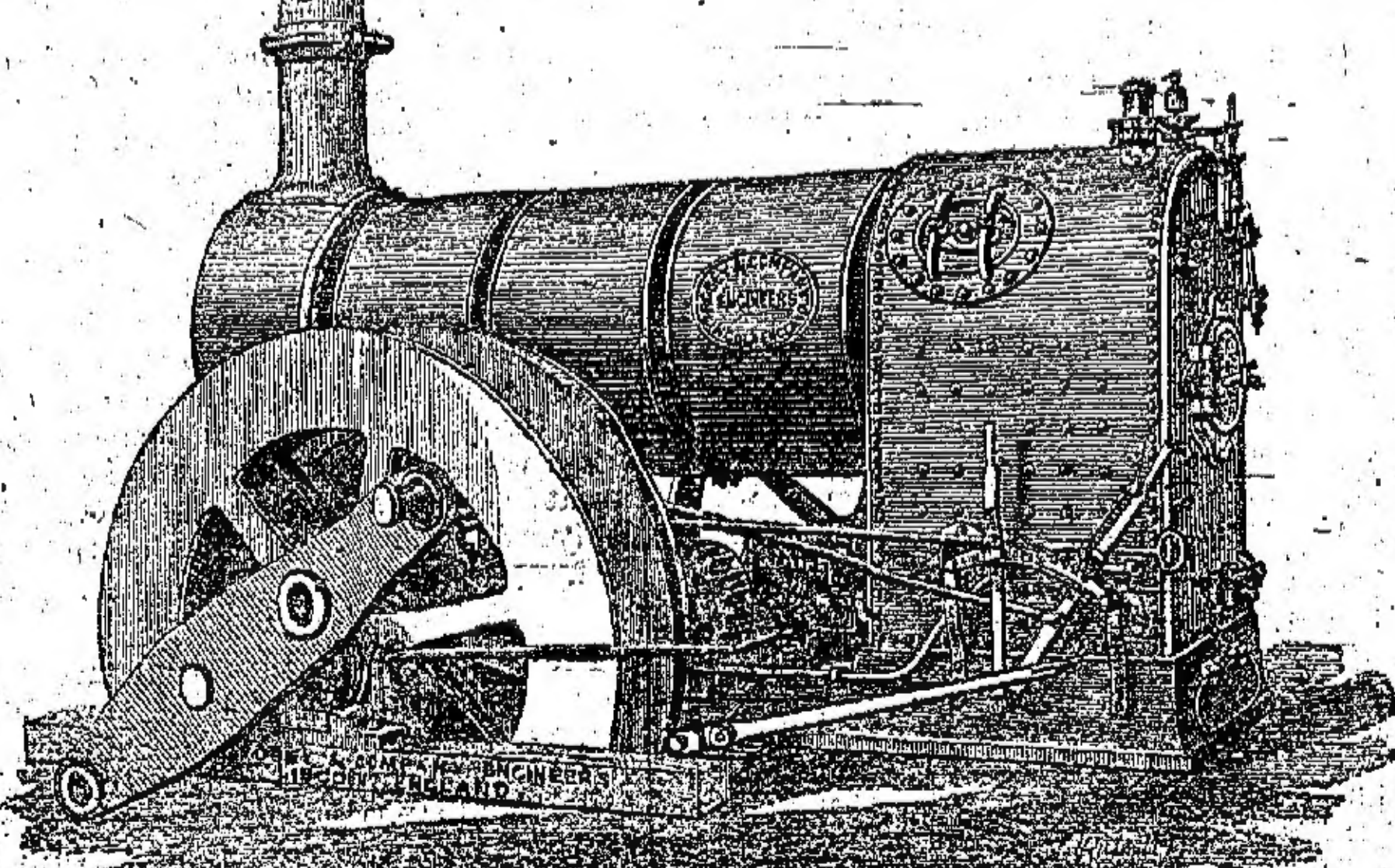
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Section.									
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.									
2. From Gas Works to the Novelty Iron Works.									
3. From Novelty Iron Works to the Harbour Master's Office.									
4. From Harbour Master's Office to the P. and O. Co.'s Office.									
Section.									
5. From P. and O. Co.'s Office to Pedder's Wharf.									
6. From Pedder's Wharf to the Naval Yard.									
7. From Naval Yard to the Pier.									
8. From Pier to East Point.									
Vessel's Name.	Anchor.	Captain.	Flag and Reg.	Tons.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.	
Steamers									
Arratoon Apar	4 k	Peters	Brit. str.	959	May 15	Siemssen & Co.			
Asia	4 k	Moken	Dan. str.	880	May 24	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Marseilles, &c.	Mails	
Ava	5 c	Flauriais	Fch. str.	1906	May 24	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama		
Bombay	4 k	Smith	Brit. str.	1327	April 11	P. & O. S. N. Co.			
Candia	4 k	Thomson	Brit. str.	1342	May 23	Jardine, Matheson & Co.			
Cheops	4 c	Dryden	Brit. str.	983	May 18	Adamson, Bell & Co.		H'long Dock	
Columbian	4 k	Alderton	Brit. str.	1417	May 17	P. & O. S. N. Co.			
Cyprien	5 c	Wood	Brit. str.	1280	May 22	Adamson, Bell & Co.			
Douglas	5 b	Bumie	Brit. str.	864	May 20	Douglas, Lapraik & Co.	Coast Ports	To-morrow	
Genoa	4 k	Corrigall	Brit. str.	1200	May 18	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		To-morrow	
Glenis Castle	4 c	Dickie	Brit. str.	1539	May 18	Adamson, Bell & Co.			
Gordon Castle	5 c	Jones	Brit. str.	1312	May 22	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Shanghai		
Madagascar	4 c	Timin	Ger. str.	884	May 22	Siemssen & Co.			
Madagascar	...	Stephenson	Brit. str.	994	May 15	Siemssen & Co.		Abdeen Dock	
Maharajah	5 c	Parquardini	Fch. str.	1008	May 23	Messageries Maritimes	Yokohama	Mails	
Menzies	4 c	Parcell	Brit. str.	2349	May 18	O. & S. S. Co.	Yama & S. Fuisoo	Mails, 1st pr.	
Orosia	8 h	Butlin	Brit. str.	1137	May 13	Wm. Pustau & Co.			
Pasig	2 h	Lopez	Span. str.	107	May 13	Remedios & Co.		Repairing	
Pawbuket	4 k	...	Amer. str.	280	June 13	Ang. Heard & Co.		Load up 26th inst.	
Pernambuco	4 k	Hyde	Brit. str.	643	May 21	Ab. Yon	Seigon		
Statesman	6 h	Valiant	Brit. str.	1209	May 18	Jardine, Matheson & Co.			
Sunda	4 c	Lee	Brit. str.	1028	May 17	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama	Mails	
Vasco da Gama	...	Rice	Brit. str.	2000	April 25	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		Abdeen Dock	
Washi	...	Hunter	B. L. str.	202	May 22	Landstein & Co.			
Yottung	2 h	...	Brit. str.	324	June 9	Kwok Acheong		Repairing	
Sailing Vessels									
Alden Bessie	3 c	Noyes	Amer. bk.	842	Mar. 10	Rozario & Co.	Honolulu		
Alma	8 h	Lehmoyer	Ger. bk.	385	April 20	Melchers & Co.			
American Lloyds	4 k	Perk	Amer. bk.	510	May 21	Captain			
Anna	5 c	Jessen	Ger. bk.	448	May 9	Wm. Pustau & Co.	San Francisco		
Anna	3 c	Witnaden	Ger. bk.	852	May 12	Melchers & Co.			
Anna	3 c	Effies	Amer. bk.	1490	April 28	Russell & Co.			
Annie Fish	3 c	Branthwaite	Brit. bk.	812	May 6	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.			
Belled Will	2 c	Moller	Siam. bk.	575	May 19	Kim-tye-long			
Bua-Pan	4 c	Keroger	Ger. bk.	370	May 7	Russell & Co.	Foochow		
Brigitte	7 h	Arnold	Brit. bk.	448	April 27	Mayer & Co.	London		
British Crown	4 c	Turnbull	Brit. bk.	987	May 15	Order			
Caroline	1 b	Schmidt	Ger. bk.	673	April 28	Siemssen & Co.			
Catherine Bohn	...	Marden	Brit. bk.	287	April 18	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Suez	Co'stan Dock	
Channel Queen	4 k	Lenfestej	Brit. bk.	609	April 24	Captain	London		
Chas. O. Leary	3 c	Stephen	Amer. bk.	644	May 20	Carlowitz & Co.			
Chas. saubland	3 c	Hervé	sch. bk.	884	May 20	Carlowitz & Co.			
Cheng Sook	2 h	Cheng Sang	Siam. bk.	200	April 8	Chinese			
Christina A. P.	3 c	Federico	Amer. bk.	175	Jan. 8	Order			
Comet	4 c	Bray	Amer. bk.	1167	April 23	Russell & Co.	San Francisco		
Compassary	8 h	Hunter	Brit. bk.	900	April 23	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	London		
Daylight	1 h	Bedemaker	Siam. bk.	447	May 17	Kim-tye-long			
Deutschland	3 c	Filmann	Ger. bk.	269	May 18	Arnold, Karberg & Co.			
Dora	1 c	Lazarengo	Span. bk.	322	May 19	H. Kiser		Repairing	
Emma	3 c	Gran	Ger. bk.	340	May 21	Wm. Pustau & Co.			
Faugh-a-Ballagh	3 h	Thomson	Ger. bk.	250	May 16	Carlowitz & Co.	Bangkok		
Feiga	4 c	Christiansen	Dan. bk.	316	April 23	Edvard Schellhass & Co.	Nicolavski		
Ferdinand	3 k	Westergaard	Ger. bk.	416	May 20	Melchers & Co.			
Flodden	4 k	Murdoch	Brit. bk.	387	May 8	Jardine, Matheson & Co.			
Hestings	...	Orais	Brit. bk.	541	May 13	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Manila	Spratt's Dock	
Hieronymus	8 c	Beall	Ger. bk.	400	May 7	Siemssen & Co.			
Hopa	4 c	Boulton	Ger. bk.	454	April 29	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	London		
Iphigenia	4 c	Maston	Ger. bk.	494	April 24	Wm. Pustau & Co.			
J. H. Jensen	4 c	Rasmussen	Ger. bk.	275	May 2	Arnold, Karberg & Co.	London		
Jerfalcon	...	Bentley	Brit. bk.	287	May 1	Gilman & Co.			
Joachim Christian	4 c	Kimer	Ger. bk.	487	May 18	Wm. Pustau & Co.			
John Miller	3 c	Murphy	Brit. bk.	618	May 22	Russell & Co.			
Kate Tatham	4 k	Mackernsey	Brit. bk.	275	May 12	Carlowitz & Co.			
Kronprindsessen	3 c	Jamin	Dan. bk.	344	May 23	Edvard Schellhass & Co.			
Lochiel	2 c	Ewan	Brit. bk.	216	May 8	Edvard Schellhass & Co.	Foochow		
Lucie	2 c	Oelberg	Siam. bk.	432	May 16	Loak Mee & Co.			
Lulu	4 k	Ryan	Amer. bk.	385	May 20	W. h. Cheong			
Lynka Till	1 h	Rineel	Ital. bk.	1015	May 18	Order			
Margate	4 c	Owens	Brit. bk.	864	Mar. 17	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco		
Mattie Heydorn II	3 h	Mühlmann	Ger. bk.	286	May 19	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Plantain		
Marquis of Argyll	2 h	McKeon	Brit. bk.	500	April 10	Rozario & Co.	Melbourne & Sydney		
Minna	7 k	Pumpley	Brit. bk.	237	May 19	Olyphant & Co.			
Mount Lebanon	8 c	Thuren	Ger. bk.	456	May 11	Wm. Pustau & Co.			
Naworth Castle	8 h	Hall	Brit. bk.	580	April 23	Rozario & Co.			
Oceanus	8 c	Linklater	Ger. bk.	354	April 30	Wieler & Co.	Guam		
Otago	8 c	Brookwoldt	Ger. bk.	335	May 19	Siemssen & Co.			
Other Caps	3 c	Snadden	Brit. bk.	436	April 26	Captain	Guam		
Papa	3 c	Morday	Brit. bk.	682	May 8	Arnold, Karberg & Co.			
Presto	2 c	Paasch	Ger. bk.	750	May 17	Siemssen & Co.			
Prince Arthur	2 k	Landman	B. L. bk.	383	May 17	Arnold, Karberg & Co.	Plantain		
Racehorse	4 c	Wells	B. L. bk.	296	April 26	Siemssen & Co.	Adelaide & M'bourne		
Rebecca	2 h	Olsen	Siam. bk.	587	May 10	Siemssen & Co.			
Rota	3 c	Bundgaard	Ger. bk.	408	May 23	Wm. Pustau & Co.			
San Lorenzo	4 c	Pico	Span. bk.	862	May 8	Jardine, Matheson & Co.			
Scotia	...	Hansen	Dan. bk.	220	May 14	Remedios & Co.			
Swallow	4 c	Duncan	Span. bk.	321	May 4	Edvard Schellhass & Co.	Newchwang	McD's Slip	
Tartar	2 c	Hoves	Amer. bk.	1239	April 23	Order			
Taunton	3 c	K's mensa	Ger. bk.	256	May 19	Melchers & Co.	Plantain		
Thermopylae	3 c	Clark	Brit. bk.	698	May 18	Siemssen & Co.			
Titan	8 c	Matheson	Brit. bk.	948	May 11	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Foochow		
Vesta	8 c	Berry	Amer. bk.	1226	May 9	Messageries Maritimes			
Victor	4 k	Dika	Ger. bk.	302	May 21	Melchers & Co.	Plantain		
Victory	2 h	Sorensen	Norw. bk.	247	May 16	Edvard Schellhass & Co.			
Wander	7 c	Whiting	Brit. bk.	255	May 22	Yuen Fat Hong			
Wendy Pendleton	1 c	Parkhouse	Brit. bk.	280	May 3	Landstein & Co.		Repairing	
Willard Mudgett	1 c	Blanchard	Amer. bk.	809	Mar. 30	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	San Francisco	10th pr.	
Willie	8 c	Diokey	Amer. bk.	575	May 16	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Honolulu		
Wodan	4 k	Badenoch	Brit. bk.	274	May 20	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.			
Young Siam	3 k	Meyer	Ger. bk.	439	May 7	Meyer & Co.	S'pore & Mauritius		
Zoroya	2 c	Benedictsen	Siam. bk.	701	May 12	Keen-tye-long			
	3 k	Scarlett	Brit. bk.	388	May 8	Gilman & Co.			
WHAMPOA									
Cap Horn		Green	Ger. bk.	401	May 23	Wm. Pustau & Co.	Plantain		
Charter Oak		Smith	Amer. bk.	963	May 4	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York		
Lizzie		Inokay	Brit. bk.	385	May 17	Broadbent, Anthony & Co.	Chetoo		
Rubicon		Finnsen	Brit. bk.	204	May 23	Arnold, Karberg & Co.			
CANTON									
Amy		D'Jwes	Brit. str.	814	May 21	Siemssen & Co.	Shanghai		
Omoo		Jaques	Brit. str.	971	May 21	Jardine, Matheson & Co.			